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AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

TRIP LIGHTLY.

Trip lightly over trouble.
Trip lightly over wrong.
We only make grief double,
By dwelling on it too long.
Why clasp woe's hand so tightly?
Why sigh o'er blossoms dead?
Why cling to forms unsightly?
Why not seek joy instead?

Trip lightly o'er sorrow.
Though all the day be dark,
The sun may shine tomorrow,
And gaily sing the lark.
Faint hopes have been departed,
Though roses may have faded,
Then never be down-hearted,
But look for joy instead.

Trip lightly over sadness,
Stand not to rail at doom,
We're pearls to string of gladness,
On this side of tomb.
Whist stars are nightly shining,
And heaven is overhead,
Encourage not repining,
But look for joy instead.

When to Out Wheat.

We have been taught to cut wheat when it was in the dough state—when the stalk just below the head had turned yellow, while the remainder is yet green. That this rule is correct, so far as British husbandry, Canada, and all countries of low temperature at the time of harvest, are concerned, there can be no doubt. The harvest in all such countries comes after the great heat of the season, say in August and September. There the ripening is slow, and the harvest is extended through two or three weeks; but that is not the case in this part of the country, for we have but a few days in which to do our wheat harvest. The maturity of the grain is so rapid that it must be closely watched. If we cut in the stage indicated above, we will have shrunken grain, for the great heat cures the straw so rapidly that the nutriment that the soft kernel yet requires is unable to reach it, and the result is failure to fill out the grain plump. The grain must be cut just at maturity, and not delayed until it is in that stage the farmers call dead-ripe, for then we are liable to loss by the grain shelling out. If we could not put our newly cut sheaves in the shade until the grain and straw were fully cured, it would be all the better; but this cannot be done, and we must be content to take things as they are. It is only necessary to call the attention of farmers to the difference in the season of cutting, and the effect of heat at the time. Within a distance of twenty miles I have seen a month's difference in the harvest of wheat, simply owing to the elevation, that gave a lower temperature, and then this lower temperature also prolonged the harvest, or the curing process more gradual. In hot seasons our wheat harvest is but a short week, while in a cool season it is extended some days. For this reason it is almost impossible to fix the time for a trial of reaping in the harvest field for any length of time in advance. The peculiar condition of the harvest is a drawback to the culture of wheat on a large scale in this part of the country, as it is almost impossible to obtain the help needed to secure the crop in the limited time. Ten acres is a good day's work for a reaper, and this requires from seven to eight hands to do the work. It is very true that from fifteen to eighteen acres are sometimes cut and put in shock, but this means twelve to fourteen hours' labor, which few men can or will perform for any length of time. We may, therefore, limit the wheat crop to sixty acres for each reaper, and another sixty acres for oats. Then the thrashing must follow in the busy season. All this raises the price of three labor from \$1.50 a day and board to \$2.00 or \$2.50. This teaches us that the wheat crop must take its place in a system of mixed husbandry, and that it will, to that extent, be found a profitable crop. We have plenty of time for the sowing, but the time for harvest is beyond our control.—Chicago Tribune.

A Remarkable Prophecy.

The following, which is known as "Mother Shipton's Prophecy," said to have been first published in 1486, and republished in 1641, is now going the rounds of the press, to the great comfort, doubtless, of the Second Adventists. It will be observed that all the events predicted in it, except that mentioned in the last two lines—which is still in the future—have already come to pass:
Carriages without horses shall go,
And accidents fill the world with woe.
Around the world thought shall fly
In the twinkling of an eye.
Water shall yet more wonders do:
Now strange, yet shall be true.
The world upside down shall be,
And gold be found at root of tree.
Through hills men shall ride,
And no horse or ass be at his side.
Under water men shall walk:
Shall ride, shall sleep, shall talk:
In the air men shall be seen,
In white, in black, and green.
Iron on the water shall float,
As easy as a wooden boat.
Gold shall be found, and found
In a land that's not now known.
Fire and water shall wonders do:
England shall at last stand a Jew.
The world to an end shall come
In eighteen hundred and eighty-one.

In a paper read before the British Association, Dr. Wilson argues that habitual criminals do not possess such an amount of intellect as to enable them to discriminate between right and wrong, and that the majority of them are devoid of moral sense; they are of a low type of intellectual development, and some of them are unable to surmount even the rudimentary difficulties of education. Dr. Wilson states that he has made several hundred separate measurements, and all showed a cranial deficiency, especially in the anterior lobes of the brain.

In 1586 the Dutch explorers in Nova Zembla built a wooden hut. A fishing expedition has recently discovered this building, and in it one hundred and fifty objects of interest, among other things books which after nearly three hundred years are in a good state of preservation. The collection is to be placed in the museum of Amsterdam.

Of the sixty-four chemical elements which compose our globe, nineteen have been found in meteorites, and as no single element has been discovered in them which was not previously known on earth, it is supposed that the more distant parts of the universe are similar in composition to our sphere.

A California paper reports that a chamber-maid laid aside her broom a few days ago, and on calling for a settlement, told her employer that she had been dabbling in stocks for a year or more, and had something more than \$300,000 as the result.

The paragraph which tells of tornado in Illinois which "swept every movable thing from the face of the earth," goes on to say that the hurricane was attended with no loss of life, and that "as far as heard from, the farmers have lost none of their stock."

Great excitement prevails in Alaska on account of the discovery of rich silver mines within half a mile of Sitka, and of rich gold and silver mines in other places on the adjacent coast.

Charles Sartorius, the well-known German naturalist, died lately on his plantation near Vera Cruz.

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